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Subject: RE: US-Canada Bilateral and IJC meeting

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Hi Pam. Thanks for pulling this and other information together. I've attached some input on the GKM paper, in yellow.

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Joan and others:

Attached is my first cut at the briefing paper. I tried to stick to what was provided for all the talking points and most of the background. Anything that was changed would be in blue. I also added an initial question that State said Canada wanted to know about, as well as some sub-titles, simply as a guide for the content; other blue bracketed items may contain questions.

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Just an FYI: These papers are only for internal (USG) dissemination, but as they're not officially marked as sensitive or confidential, one never knows where they will end up. I would rather err on the side of caution.

Thanks for your help with this!

Pam

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Everything I sent you has been vetted by OGC. We just need to stick to the vetted material.

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You're welcome. By the way, there's a litigation hold on Gold King Mine. I'm adding Richard Sisk, who's coordinating the litigation hold.

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Thanks, again. This is very helpful.

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#### http://www2.epa.gov/goldkingmine/gold-king-mine-watershed-fact-sheet

# Gold King Mine Watershed Fact Sheet EPA Gold King Mine Watershed Fact Sheet. The document below contains: Historical background on the mine; Previous water release incidents in the area; Site assessment Read more...

http://www2.epa.gov/goldkingmine/how-did-august-2015-release-gold-king-mine-happen

http://www2.epa.gov/goldkingmine/roles-epa-and-other-responders-after-2015-gold-kingmine-release

# Roles of EPA and Other Responders After the 2015 Gold King ... Description of emergency response efforts after August 5, 2015 release from the Gold King Mine into Cement Creek and the Animas River.

### How Did the August 2015 Release from the Gold King Mine ...

On August 5, 2015, EPA was conducting an investigation of the Gold King Mine near Silverton, Colorado, to: assess the on-going water releases from the mine,

Read more.

#### Gold King Mine Watershed Fact Sheet -

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Thank you, Joan. This is very helpful.

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There seems to be enough for TPs, so I'll draft those for your clearance. Thanks!

Pam

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Thanks again, Pam. I've added Erin Perkins and Bert Garcia for their awareness and input on the meeting content and any materials.

I will be unavailable for the call in on that date. I will discuss with Bert and the RA for their possible attendance by phone for this item and the Gold King Mine item (we will

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As for background on GKM, I've attached the approved TPs, which I think would be delivered during the meeting by Jane Nishida or Shaun (will let you know Shaun's availability on Monday). Other materials of use for background would be found on EPA's GKM website, such as the Administrator's testimony and memos/directives from the Administrator and OSWER AA on mining issues. If you'd like to draft a briefing paper, we can review and help you edit it. I suggest starting with these links:

http://www2.epa.gov/goldkingmine/epa-administrator-gina-mccarthys-prepared-testimony-us-house-representatives-oversight

http://www2.epa.gov/goldkingmine/september-8-2015-documents-related-mine-work-and-stakeholder-notifications

## September 8, 2015: Documents related to mine work and ...

This pages contains documents related to mine work sites across the country, regional contingency plans for downstream notifications, and the plan for Gold King Mine ...

Read more..

## EPA Administrator Gina McCarthy's prepared testimony ...

EPA Administrator Gina McCarthy's prepared testimony before the U.S. House of Representatives Oversight and Government Reform Committee and Natural Resources ...

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Hi Joan,

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The State Dept. leads a bilateral discussion with Canada on environmental issues twice a year (generally, in April and October). The next meeting will take place on Oct. 29 in Ottawa, and the draft agenda is attached.

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Please let me know if anything may need to be clarified on what we say to Canada. And also please feel free to ask any questions about the meeting.

Pam

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Subject: US-Canada Bilateral and IJC meeting

As mentioned in my last email to all, the next semi-annual U.S.-Canada Bilateral meeting is taking place on October 29 in Ottawa, from 1 to 5 pm. Attached is the latest draft agenda, for your information. Also attached is a draft agenda for the meeting with the Governments of Canada and the U.S. and the International Joint Commission. For

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and I understand that State has decided on the

following 4 sub-topics for this item:

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Gold King Mine (CAN leads)

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which leaves

the opportunity for EPA to develop talking points for the 4th sub-topic (Gold King Mine).

In the meantime, if you plan to participate in any part of these meetings by conference call, please let me know by COB October 21. I'm also happy to entertain any questions you might have about this.

Thanks,

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